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For: TRYPTOPHAN AS A FUNCTIONAL

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE AFTER FINAL ACTION

This document is submitted in response to a Final Office action dated October 30, 2008, for which a three-month period for reply was set, making a response due on or before January 30, 2008. It is believed that no fee is required. However, if any fees are required in connection with filing this document, please charge Deposit Account 02-4550. Furthermore, as this response is submitted on December 30, 2008, it is timely filed within two months from mailing of the Office Action. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the Office take action at an early date.

Please amend the referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 5.